

Higher Education Coordinating Board Members

Bob Craves, Chair

Appointed: December 1997

Serves at the pleasure of the Governor Bob Craves is a founder and former senior vice president of Costco Wholesale Corporation. He also is president and chief executive officer of the Washington Education Foundation, a non-profit organization that promotes philanthropy and scholarship aid for economically disadvantaged young people. In addition, Mr. Craves is the Washington State chairman of Communities In Schools, a national dropout-prevention program, and the former co-chairman of the Governor's 2020 Commission on the Future of Post-Secondary Education. He also serves on the Board of Regents of Seattle University and the Board of Trustees of Catholic University of America.

Gay Selby, Vice Chair

Appointed: October 1993 Term Expires: June 2004

Gay Selby, Ed.D., retired in 1994 after serving as superintendent of the Kelso School District for 10 years. Prior to her position in Kelso, she worked with the Spokane, Pullman, and Kennewick school districts. Dr. Selby now teaches part-time in the educational leadership program at Washington State University Vancouver.

Patricia Stanford, Secretary

Appointed: April 2000 Term Expires: June 2003

Pat Stanford is a board member of the University of Washington Academic Medical Center, United Negro College Fund, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, and the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. Ms. Stanford has served on the boards of the Urban League, First Place, Childhaven, Community for Youth, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Mothers Against Violence in America, and City Club of Seattle. She also has worked for the U.S. Department of Defense and in real estate sales.

Gene Colin

Appointed: November 2001 Term Expires: June 2005

Gene Colin is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ferguson Construction, Inc. of Seattle. A native of New York, he joined Ferguson Construction in 1967 as a project engineer and rose through the company to his current post. Mr. Colin has served as chair of the Washington State Building Code Council, chair of the King County Uniform Fire Code Appeal Board, vice chair of the Seattle Chapter of the Council of Growing Companies, and a trustee of the Associated General Contractors of Washington.

James Faulstich

Appointed: January 1994 Term Expires: June 2003

James Faulstich retired from Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle, after serving as president and chief executive for 20 years. Previously, he was senior vice president of the National Association of Independent Insurers. In Oregon, he served as deputy legislative counsel, state Insurance Commissioner, director of the Department of Economic Development, and a member of the Governor's Cabinet. He is active in Seattle's civic community, as chairman of the Seattle Center Foundation and as a trustee of the Housing Partnership, Seattle Opera Association, and Downtown Seattle Association.

Roberta Greene

Appointed: November 2001 Term Expires: June 2005

Roberta Greene is vice president for Empire Ford in Spokane. She is a member of the Spokane City Council and the Washington Dental Service board of directors. She has served on the Community Colleges of Spokane board, Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board, Spokane Private Industry Council, Spokane Lilac Festival, Joint Center for Higher Education, African American Forum and United Way.

Ann Ramsay-Jenkins¹

Appointed: November 1992 Term Expires: June 2002

Ann Ramsay-Jenkins has served as director of the Office of Budgets at Harvard University, as assistant secretary and first deputy secretary of state in Massachusetts state government, and as administrator of the city of Boston's Drug Treatment Program. She also worked in the Federal Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, and was a member of President Carter's Advisory Commission on Women for three years.

Currently, Ms. Ramsay-Jenkins is vice president and treasurer of the Washington Education Foundation, a non-profit organization that promotes philanthropy and scholarship aid for economically disadvantaged young people. In addition, she serves on the boards of the University of Washington Medical Center, the Seattle Repertory Theatre Foundation, and the American Institute of Public Service.

Herb Simon

Appointed: July 2000 Term Expires: June 2004

Herb Simon is a partner of Simon Johnson, L.L.C., which invests in real estate and venture capital projects. He is chair of the Executive Council for a Greater Tacoma and a former member of the University of Washington Tacoma Advisory Board. He has served on the boards of the Pierce County World Trade Center, Export Assistance Center of Washington, Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, Franciscan Health Services, Pantages Theater, and Tacoma Actors Guild. In addition, Mr. Simon is a national director of the American Israeli Political Action Committee.

Chang Mook Sohn

Appointed: September 1997 Term Expires: June 2004

As executive director of the Washington Office of the Forecast Council, Chang Mook Sohn, Ph.D., prepares and presents the quarterly forecast of economic activities in Washington and Washington's General Fund revenue. Dr. Sohn has taught economic theory, strategy and policy at Saint Martin's College, The Evergreen State College, and Western Oregon State College at Monmouth. He serves on the Governor's Distinguished Managers Association, the Pacific Northwest Executive Forecast Panel, the Pacific Northwest Power Council Advisory Board, the Seattle Korean School Board, and the Asia Pacific Cultural Center Board.

Stacey Valentin

Appointed: August 2002 Term Expires: June 2003

A senior at Western Washington University, Stacey Valentin is the first student member of the board. She has served as president and vice president of the Washington Student Lobby and legislative liaison and vice president of community and legislative affairs for the Associated Students of Western Washington. Ms. Valentin earned her associate degree from Olympic Community College and is majoring in history and social studies at Western. She expects to earn her teaching certification in special education and secondary education in June 2003.

Marcus Gaspard, Executive Director

Prior to becoming the board's executive director in 1995, Marc Gaspard was the majority leader of the Washington State Senate and chairman of the Senate Ways and Means, Education/Higher Education, and Agriculture committees.

Mr. Gaspard has received many awards for his work, including "Outstanding Education Policy Leadership" from the National Association of State Boards of Education, and "Legislator of the Year" from the Washington Vocational Association (three times honored). Mr. Gaspard also served as the director of community development at Pierce College.

¹ Reappointed by the Governor in June 2002.